

Budget and Capital Committee
Special Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, May 4, 2010 5:00 PM
Tompkins County Courthouse

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Present: J. Dennis, P. Mackesey, K. Herrera, P. Stein
Excused: B. Robison
Staff: B. Crosby, A. Cole, Health Department; J. Mareane, County Administrator; M. Pottorff, TC
Legislature Office

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m.

Resolutions

Resolution (DOC ID: 1982): Establishment of 2011 County Financial Goal

RESULT:	RECOMMENDED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	James Dennis, Chair
SECONDER:	Pamela Mackesey, Member
AYES:	Dennis, Luz Herrera, Mackesey, Robison, Stein

It was noted that the unanimous vote did not represent unanimous support for the content of the resolution but support for moving it to the floor of the full Legislature for discussion and action.

WHEREAS, the County Administrator has requested the Legislature establish a tax-levy guideline for him to use in working with departments and preparing his recommended budget for 2011, and

WHEREAS, as of April 27, 2010, the County Administrator estimates that a maintenance-of-effort budget would require a 10.2 percent tax-levy increase, and

WHEREAS, it is too early in the year to have any certainty about what conditions in New York State will be this fall, and

WHEREAS, the Legislature recognizes that whatever tax-levy percentage is adopted today is a tool for the County Administrator to use, and not necessarily the Legislature's goal in the fall, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, on recommendation of the Budget and Capital Committee, That the Legislature directs the County Administrator to prepare his recommended 2011 budget using a maximum tax-levy increase of 5 % as a guideline.

SEQR ACTION: TYPE II-20

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Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 5:03 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Michelle Pottorff, TC Legislature Office